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Highlands Summer Festival announces lineup

CHAD INGRAM
Staff Reporter

Riding the success and popularity of this year's production of *Oliver!*, the Highlands Summer Festival will again feature a musical as its flagship production for its 2017 season.
"I thought we needed to capitalize on that," said the festival's artistic direc-

tor Scot Denton as he unveiled the 2017 lineup at a launch event at McKeck's Tap and Grill in Haliburton Nov. 20.
A *Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, the 1960s farce by Burt Shevelove and Larry Gelbart with music by Stephen Sondheim, tells the story of a slave in ancient Rome who tries to earn his freedom by finding a mate for his master.
"It's one of the funniest musicals ever," Denton said, adding there are lots of ensemble roles and that the production will offer an opportunity for elaborate set decoration and costumes.
There will be 10 performances.
Proof, a play by David Auburn, examines the life of young woman grieving the loss of her father, a legendary mathematician who loses his mind to dementia.

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Casey appointed Ward 2 councillor

ANGELICA INGRAM
Staff Reporter

Following the resignation of Ward 2 councillor Derek Knowles at the end of October, Dysart councillors have made the decision to appoint former councillor Dennis Casey to the position.
The decision was made unanimously by council, who had the option of either holding a byelection to fill the vacancy or appoint a member of the public.
According to Dysart clerk Cheryl Coulson, in accordance to the Municipal Act, council would have to declare a byelection within 60 days of declaring a vacancy on council or appoint an individual within 60 days.
"Council may choose to fill the vacancy by appointing any qualified individual as outlined in Section 256 of the Municipal Act, 2001. There is no criteria outlined on how this selection is made," wrote Coulson in her report to council.
The clerk reported that a byelection would cost \$3.70 per eligible voter, with the ward having close to 4,000 voters.
A rough estimation of the cost of a byelection for that ward would be slightly

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Tickets on sale for summer shows

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"Is Catherine gifted with her father's genius, or is she tainted by his madness?" Denton said.

There will be eight performances of *Proof*.

Other shows include: *Jake's Gift*, which follows a veteran as he returns to the beaches of Normandy on the 60th anniversary of D-Day; *Three Men in a Boat*, a stage adaptation of an 1889 travelogue created for the 2014 Toronto Fringe Festival; and *Hilda's Yard*, a Norm Foster comedy that follows the adventures of a pair of empty-nesters in the 1950s.

"It's a very funny play," Denton said.

The festival's Early Stages program will also return, prepping local youth for the stage.

"We will again invest in the young people of our community," Denton said.

Season passes for the festival, which include one ticket for each of the five shows, are on sale now for \$150. Single ticket prices are \$35.

To order tickets, call 705-457-9933 or visit www.highlandsummerfestival.on.ca. With Canada and the Dysart celebrating sesquicentennial anniversaries next year, the festival will also be giving away 150 tickets to selected shows. Those details will also be available on the festival website.

Rotary Club gives skate park \$25,000

ANGELICA INGRAM

Staff Reporter

Plans for a new skate park in Haliburton were solidified on Nov. 21 when councillors heard the project would be getting an infusion of funds from the Haliburton Rotary Club.

Club members George Kadoke and Jerry Walker announced the club is willing to donate \$25,000 to the project, which they are hoping will be matched by the municipality.

The project has been an ongoing item of discussion at the council table, with councillors deciding to relocate it to the former ball diamond location and increase it from its current size of 2,500 square feet.

"We don't want to be involved in where it is. That's up to you," said Walker.

Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey said council was firmly committed to going ahead with the skate park and that it is currently in a consultation phase.

"We should have plans by December," said the reeve.

Fearrey said the municipality will definitely match the \$25,000 donation.

Rough plans for the new skate park include constructing a 6,000-square-foot facility.

While initial costs for the project were coming in around the \$100,000 mark, some councillors believe it will cost more, in order for it to be done right.

"I think we need to spend between \$150,000 to \$200,000," said Councillor Walt McKechnie. "Let's do this right and have something we can be proud of."

To date close to \$30,000 has been raised by the Haliburton Junction Skate Park

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— Councillor Walt McKechnie

committee, said Dysart recreation co-ordinator Andrea Mueller.

Council believed once a firm design was in place there would be no issue raising the necessary funds.

"I think, knowing this community, it shouldn't be a problem raising \$100,000," said Kadoke.

Walker also announced Walker's Home

Hardware would commit \$5,000 to the project, for which council was grateful.

Walker said he also hoped to see improvements to the parking area next to the arena, also part of the skate park project, as he saw the need for this as a downtown business owner.

Fearrey said the issues of drainage and parking would be addressed during the revitalization process.

Former Ward 2 councillor Derek Knowles was an advocate for the skate park, asking council to commit to the project and invest in it.

Prior to his resignation announcement on Oct. 24, Knowles said he and his wife had a significant donation for the project, however was adamant council move forward on it.

Mueller said there would be a spot at the new skate park to recognize those who have contributed to the project.

The representatives of Rotary said the money has been earmarked for the club's fiscal year, which ends in June 2017.

Casey's appointment 'excellent decision': Roberts

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more than \$14,200, wrote Coulson.

Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey told council he was leaning more towards an appointment, due to the costly nature of a byelection.

Other councillors agreed, with councillor Susan Norcross believing the decision on how to fill the vacancy should not be deferred as there was currently a contentious issue affecting residents of that ward.

Fearrey said his "gut feeling" was that he was leaning towards appointing Casey, who served as the prior Ward 2 councillor and ran for the position of deputy-reeve in the last election.

Fearrey said Casey has served on a number of council committees and has shown interest in the position.

Deputy-reeve Andrea Roberts thought this was an "excellent decision." Other councillors agreed.

In the last election, there were three candidates vying for the position of Ward 2 councillor, with Knowles followed in votes by David McKay and Steve Dunec.

McKay and Casey were both in attendance at the council meeting.

A resolution to appoint Casey was passed.

The appointee will be sworn in as councillor at the December meeting of Dysart et al.

Proposed gas station for Cty Rd 21 to go to public phase

ANGELICA INGRAM

Staff Reporter

An application to amend a zoning bylaw will move forward as the public will have the opportunity to weigh in on a gas station being proposed for County Road 21.

The proposal includes constructing a gas station/convenience store on the property next to Tim Hortons, just outside Haliburton Village. The property is owned by Jerry Walker.

Councillors heard more details about the project at the Nov. 21 Dysart et al meeting, where municipal planning director Patricia Martin said staff continue to have concerns with the proposal.

The land is zoned suburban residential, with the applicant wishing to change it to highway commercial.

The municipality's official plan designates the property as within the commercial area.

Martin said, following advice from legal counsel, staff recommend moving the application forward for public consultation.

Some of the concerns outlined by Martin include lot size, the entranceway and lighting.

The application does address the information required by the Planning Act.

Walker, who was in attendance, asked about a proposed business park, which is mentioned in Martin's staff report, and how this would affect his property.

Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey said while this is something the municipality has discussed, nothing has been planned.

The public meeting to discuss the proposal will be held on Monday, Jan. 9 at 5 p.m. in council chambers.

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Rural transportation requires funding, partnerships and support

ANGELICA INGRAM

Staff Reporter

Transportation projects are possible in rural communities as long as they have government support, are created through partnerships and have the community in mind, the audience heard at the inaugural Haliburton Highlands Transportation Summit on Nov. 15 at the Haliburton Legion.

The day-long event drew participants from throughout Ontario, many who shared success stories of projects they have been involved with.

Commissioner of community services for the District of Muskoka Rick Williams spoke about Muskoka Extended Transit (MET), a program that involves a school bus that travels various routes throughout Muskoka.

Like Haliburton, Muskoka faces many demographic and economic challenges, said Williams.

"Muskoka, like most rural areas, has a growing number of seniors, disabled and poor individuals," he said.

Williams said that in order for rural projects to work, municipalities need to be a part of the solution, pointing to the gas tax as a way to help fund transportation.

The MET operates eight routes, which are travelled once per week. It parallels the school year, which means it runs 40 weeks of the year.

It costs approximately \$40,000 a year to run the bus, plus an additional \$15,000 to \$20,000 a year for marketing and co-ordination.

Williams said a reasonable goal would be to recover 50 per cent of the costs to be sustainable.

The idea that a transportation option would not be able to fully fund itself was echoed by other co-ordinators, who pointed to municipal funding as being necessary and a shift in how transportation is prioritized.

During a panel discussion, Brad Smith of Ride Norfolk said transportation services should be given the same priority as services such as pools, arenas and parks.

"This is a community service, just like any other," said Smith.

In Deseronto, a community with a population of 1,835, many of the support services people need are 30 kilometres away in the city of Belleville.

Located within Hastings County, Deseronto does not have "a lot in town," said Susan Stolarchuk, who spoke on the Deseronto Transit project.

To launch the transit project, \$255,000 in seed funding was obtained and a committee was created, said Stolarchuk.

Partnerships with municipalities and agencies were formed and the project received municipal support.

The initiative also received a substantial amount of funding through the municipal gas tax portion, which grew from \$18,000 to \$105,000 by including the population of neighbouring community Napanee, said Stolarchuk.

"Without partnerships we would have not made it," she said. "We would have folded."

Stolarchuk said transportation is not something that will make money and as a result it has to be subsidized.

Since Deseronto Transit was launched it has greatly helped people get to vital services.

Representing a local project, Gena Robertson spoke on SIRCH's Hop On, Hop Off Bus initiative that ran during the summer of 2015.

The project, which included a small bus, started out as a transportation project but evolved into a tourism feature for the community.

The summit included an afternoon of working groups and facilitated discussion.

Haliburton County Community Transportation Project co-ordinator Tina Jackson told the *Echo* that each group focused on developing a transportation system for Haliburton County and then identified what assets exist in the county to help support their system design as well as what additional resources would be needed.

"The notes from those groups as well as the large transportation system designs will be consolidated into a report over the next couple months for presentation to the Transportation Task Force, which will be formed over the coming weeks," said Jackson in an email.



Brad Smith, far left, moderates a panel discussion about rural transportation projects at the Haliburton Highlands Transportation Summit on Nov. 15 at the Haliburton Legion. Presenters talked about getting their projects off the ground, funding models and partnership opportunities. From left, Smith, Susan Stolarchuk, Gena Robertson, Rick Williams, Gil Brocanier and Jessica Hoskin. ANGELICA INGRAM Staff

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Son mushing in dad's sled tracks

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

In front of the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School on the windy shore of Head Lake, Logan McCready-DeBruin, a tall and lanky senior with shoulder length brown hair, tied at the back, and a sparsely grown moustache is excited about being able to live out a childhood dream to compete in the upcoming 150-mile Jr. Iditarod dogsled race.

You could say he was born to mush. When he was a baby he rode for his first time in a dogsled and then raced a year later.

The eldest of four children in a family with an ever-growing pack of dogs has lived and breathed dogsledding.

It's hard not to when the family business is the dogsled tour operation, Wintertance Dogsled Tours.

To most people, spending weeks in the Alaskan wilderness with nothing but your dog team and your wits is not exactly at the top of their bucket lists. However, for McCready-DeBruin it's something he has dreamed about since he was five, having been inspired by his father.

His dad, a dogsled veteran with experience competing in the Iditarod and the Yukon Quest, not only inspired him, but showed him the resolve it takes to compete.

The teen remembers being in the truck, driving across Canada to the see his dad compete in his first Iditarod in 2010, feeling a little envious.

"When I was 10 and drove with him and my uncle and brother to his first Idi-



Haliburton teen Logan McCready-DeBruin, who is the son of veteran musher Hank DeBruin, is excited about fulfilling a childhood dream to race in the 150-mile round-trip Jr. Iditarod dogsled race this coming winter. McCready-DeBruin, a senior at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, said his dad inspired him to race. For more information see jriditarod.com/. DARREN LUM Staff

tarod I was jealous of the adventure he was about to have and the adventures he has had since then in other races," he wrote in an email. "I have been fortunate to get to go along to races with him in Alaska, Hudson Bay, Michigan and Maine. [However] I think I would rather be racing than waiting for him and the team though! When his first Iditarod didn't go as planned, he didn't give up, he went back and tried again and fin-

ished."

His dad has a unique bond with his dogs that his son respects and admires.

The things he loves is "seeing him with the dogs, the bond he has with them and how much they love him. The way he lives to challenge himself and our dogs in these races to learn more and do better with every one," he said.

Parents Tanya and Hank have always been the teen's biggest boosters and living examples to chase dreams.

"He and Mom have always encouraged all of us to chase our dreams like they have chased theirs and I have dreamed of running the Junior Iditarod for as long as I can remember," he said.

The teenager is appreciative of his parents for their resourcefulness in competing in the Iditarod and the equally epic, if not less well-known, Yukon Quest.

"I am lucky that I have Dad to teach me how to run distance races. He and Mom had to figure it out on their own as there are only two or three folks from Ontario who have ever run the Iditarod and no one from Ontario had finished the Yukon Quest," he said.

Discipline and hard work isn't new to the teen, who has helped to run the family business and holds a black belt in karate. Preparation is essential for an event like this that will take the teen and his dogs through some spectacular, but unforgiving terrain. Training won't make this year much different from other years.

"I guess in a way I have been training for this race for years. All of the dogs on the race team were all born here and my brother and sisters and I raised them from puppies. They are like siblings to us. It is of course all about the dogs. They are always the most important part of all of this: that they are happy and having fun," he said.

For the last four weeks after school in the middle of the night, Logan has gone out with his dad, who is also training to compete in the 1,000-mile dogsled race, the Yukon Quest on Feb. 4, to run his dogs at least two hours a night, covering distances close to 14 miles with the dogs pulling an ATV. The distance will be increased progressively until they reach a total distance of 2,000 miles before race day. The team and Logan are expected to be in Alaska before competition to acclimatize to the weather.

At 17, this is McCready-DeBruin's last year of eligibility.

"I just turned 17 so this is my last chance to do it and I've been wanting to for years! So it was now or never and my parents encouraged me to go for it," he said.

Before his parents lived out their dreams to race, he was just as caught up in the same excitement.

"I can remember watching tons of videos on the Iditarod with Dad and Mom. I think it just seemed a given that if Dad was going to run the Iditarod (and of course he did), then I should run the Junior Iditarod. I love the dogs and love dogsledding, plus like Dad I enjoy being in the wilderness on my own with the dogs," he said.

As much as Logan will be drawing upon the lessons learned from his father, he will be forging his own path.

Attitude and the ability to adapt are key to being able to race in these kind of endurance races, he said.

"You certainly can't be afraid or uncomfortable being on your own in the wilderness or you just aren't going to have much fun. You also need to be able to stay in a positive mood, even when you are tired or things aren't going well as the dogs totally feed off the musher's emotions," he said. "You don't get to sleep a lot when doing distance racing so it is important to be able to handle little sleep and still be able to think rationally. Critical thinking skills are also probably helpful as sometimes things happen that you need to deal with quickly." The teen isn't boisterous or arrogant. He knows from seeing his father training and racing what competitions like the Iditarod, even this junior version, requires of him.

"Running distance races you need to be sure you can look after yourself and your dogs and I feel what I have done up until now has helped me feel confident in both. Last year when we had poor snow and trail [conditions] in the early part of the winter, Dad couldn't train his big team by himself as the trails were too dangerous for a team of 16 so we split the team up. He would take 10 and I would take eight and we would head out many evenings for 20- to 50-mile runs. That certainly helped build my confidence in handling a big team on tough trails and also running at night," he said. Thus far the Jr. Iditarod organizers have not confirmed the final format of the race, which will start on Saturday, Feb. 25 at 10 a.m. at Knik Lake. Five mushers have registered, including McCready-DeBruin.

There are three options being considered. Currently, competitors race for 75 miles before they must rest for 10 hours. The other option is to divide the total distance into three 50-mile segments and enforce a five-hour rest between each. The last option is run the three segment race, but allow the mushers the choice of how and when to use their required 10 hours of rest.

He prefers the option that is most suitable for his dogs, which is the version with the shorter mileage between rest days.

With an expected absence of five weeks from school, McCready DeBruin is ready to do a lot of work from where he is or on the road to enable him to graduate with his class.

The biggest challenges he anticipates are running the dogs at night and moose.

For him the goal is to finish with all of his team, who he wants to be a "happy, healthy dog team."

"But I also want to have fun and see what it's like to do longer races ... I look forward to meeting other youth who love the dogs and dogsledding as much as I do as well."

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Arts Council - Haliburton Highlands shares past and future at AGM

JENN WATT

Editor

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the Nov. 16 annual general meeting of the Arts Council ~ Haliburton Highlands.

SPARC heading into second year of funding

Receiving half a million dollars from the Ontario Trillium Foundation can leave one a little overwhelmed. Chris Lynd, chairwoman of the SPARC (Supporting Performing Arts in Rural Communities), told the assembled membership of the arts council about the day she found out they were successful in receiving \$530,000 over three years to build a provincial network for rural and remote performing arts. The arts council handles the money for the group, which hired Greg Thomas to be network coordinator. Separately, SPARC received a Canadian Heritage grant of \$55,000 to run the symposium, which just wrapped up.

Lynd said the intention is to bring on board members from across the province and move away from a Haliburton-based SPARC organization. The money from Trillium is to bring together artists online to discuss issues of mutual interest.

The report to the arts council says that the recent symposium attracted 110 attendees including representatives from Canadian Heritage, the Trillium Foundation, Ontario Arts Council and Ministry of Culture.

Part of the grant goes to boosting the time the arts council is open by 10 hours a week.

Art populates public spaces

Several partnerships with area businesses and organizations have made it possible to display local artists' work around the Highlands. In a presentation on the council's art in public spaces program, board member Greg Gillespie outlined many of the venues that had showcased art over the last year including Pinestone, Highlands Summer Festival, Baked and Battered, Haliburton School of Art and Design, Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, Winter Folk Camp and Hike Haliburton. In the coming year, they are planning to take work to the Algonquin Highlands municipal office and library branches. He said they are looking for ideas and artists.

Artists in the Schools holds dozens of workshops

More than 700 students across the county were reached by the arts council's Artists in the Schools program, which has been running since 2004. Charlene McConnell, the program co-ordinator, told the group that the hands-on experience for students continues to be an important initiative. Last year 41 workshops were put on by 10 artists supporting the current curriculum. This coming year, they intend to increase that to 48 workshops at least, she said.

Jim Blake also told the group about Art on the Dock, which was run for the second year by the Kennisis Lake Property Owners' Association. The association offered to give the proceeds to Artists in the Schools.

This year nearly \$3,000 was raised for the program. "This is so delightful because we have scratched for 12 years raising money for this program. We get \$5,000 a year from the school board," he said.

"Whatever is raised through the process, that's what we spend," Chris Lynd added. The program is modified for the budget each year.

Bylaws eliminate term restriction for chairperson

Several bylaw changes were introduced at the meeting including one that removed the restriction that "no individual may hold the position of chair for more than three consecutive years." The board felt that the removing the rule would provide "flexibility and may improve the functioning of the board."

There was some concern from members that this would allow a chairperson to hold power for too long. However, it was noted that board members can serve no more than two terms consecutively, with each term being three years – effectively making the maximum length of

the job six years.

Other amendments changed the mandated board size from seven to "between seven and nine."

Additionally, the terms "heritage and culture" have been added to the purpose and objects of the corporation, bringing the wording into the practice of the council, which represents more than just the arts.

Some concern was raised from members the purpose of the council was too broad, however, Blake said arts council documents have always included "heritage and culture" and that this just brings the bylaws up to date.

New board members elected

Going into the next year, the arts council will have eight members. Returning members are Kate Butler, Renee Woltz, Greg Gillespie and Erin Lynch. Elected on Wednesday: Laurie Jones, Chris Lynd, Laurie O'Reilly and Dan Manley.

Makerspace to open soon

Erin Lynch, board member and staff at Haliburton School of Art and Design, updated the membership on the makerspace in development at the college. A makerspace provides advanced tools to those who want to

create. Lynch said the HSAD space will include a vinyl cutter, 3D printer, laser cutter, industrial sewing machine and plotter printer. There will be hours when the space is open to the community. Lynch said the college anticipates it will open in early 2017.

Art Heaven opening Nov. 25

Susanne James from the Rails End Gallery updated the group on the coming fundraiser called Art Heaven. In its second year, this event takes previously loved artwork and resells it with funds going to the gallery. The deadline to donate art has passed, but those looking to buy new-to-you pieces can start coming to the gallery on Friday, Nov. 25 at 3 p.m. and the sale will be on until Dec. 23.

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— Jim Blake

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Making appointments

BACK IN APRIL OF 2014, the *Echo* reported that Andrea Roberts would be joining the race for deputy-reeve of Dysart et al. The field had two candidates: Roberts, a well-liked councillor, and Dennis Casey, a well-liked councillor.

Town was abuzz at the time that no matter which way the election went, we would be losing someone good. In the end, Roberts won by 600 votes and has served as our deputy-reeve.

On Monday, Dysart et al council voted to appoint Dennis Casey as councillor for Ward 2 replacing Derek Knowles, who is moving out of the area.

There wasn't a committee struck to consider applications for the position. In fact, on Monday, discussion started with a decision on whether to have a byelection or appoint. They decided not to hold a byelection, which would have cost about \$14,000.

From there, Casey's name was raised, his qualifications outlined, and council unanimously voted "yes."

Casey will do an excellent job and, in my opinion, is the right person for the position. He ran in the last election receiving 2,438 votes from across the

municipality – a strong showing of support. He has also represented Ward 2 in the past and knows the issues. And he is an active, passionate advocate for the Highlands.

However, there is an issue with transparency in this appointment. While it is council's prerogative under the Municipal Act to choose replacements for councillors who vacate their seats, a more

open nomination process would have allowed discussion on potential nominees and clarity in how Casey came to be the name put forward on Monday by Reeve Murray Fearrey.

It's important to stress that council is allowed to choose replacements. What happened on Monday is entirely within their ability under the Municipal Act.

But transparency matters. Council should be seen as open to suggestions and to showing how they narrowed the field to choose a councillor to represent the public. Since there was no byelection, there should at least have been a formal, advertised opportunity to send in nomination packages.

There is no doubt that Casey will do a good job in his role on council.

The choice was good.

The process, not so much.



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by Darren Lum

The magic of Haliburton County

THERE IS A LOT OF MAGIC happening in our lovely county leading up to Christmas. We all need to take it in, and contribute to it. Random acts of magic could be our mantra for the next few weeks. We each have the ability to spread the magic by attending, participating in and supporting whatever speaks to our hearts from bake sales at churches to the Santa Claus parades. We each can pay attention to the magic. This weekend the Haliburton Highlands Festival Singers will perform *Messiah* on Saturday and Sunday at the United Church. This is their 25th anniversary and that in itself is magical.

The annual Fuel for Warmth Shindig is happening on Saturday night at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. It will be a great show and is a great cause. And there is the magic of the 13th annual *Nutcracker* in which 83 of our local children will dance Sonya Flatman and Betty Paton starting dancing with Julie Barban when they were wee little girls of four years. Rebecca Hamilton started a little later when she was about nine. All of these young women have grown into beautiful dancers over the years. On Dec. 3 and 4 they will all perform in their final show of *Nutcracker*. Sonya will sparkle and shine as the Snow Queen, Rebecca will do the Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy and Betty will be Dewdrop in the classic Waltz of the Flowers dance. All three girls have grown into beautiful dancers that are full of

poise, grace and beauty. It is a beautiful Christmas tradition. The costumes are always so delightful, with all of the tutus being made by Dani Smolen.

What I find so interesting about these girls who will dance in the lead roles, is that by day they are sporty machines that play on various teams at the high school while at night they are practising for the ballet. Sonya and Rebecca are field hockey and wrestling team members.

Betty is a rugby player. I am sure if you talk to professional dancers or athletes, both groups would brag about the benefits of the other in terms of development. When playing sports an athlete develops agility, speed, power, teamwork and dedication. These skills are also needed for dance. In sports and dance the participants have to be fit physically and mentally and have the stamina to play

the game or dance the performance. Dancers develop balance, flexibility, strength and it is great for brain development when learning to move to the music.

Sports and dance take dedication and just plain old hard work to keep improving and get good at the activity. There are lots of people working hard in this community to make all kinds of magical things happen. My advice for the next weeks up to Christmas is to pay attention to magic. It is everywhere in the smallest of moments and interactions and in the bigger events. There is more than enough magic for everyone.

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points of view

Happy Endings

OK, IF YOU ARE WONDERING WHY EVERY middle-aged man you have ever met doesn't add to conversations regarding the television shows or movies people talk about, let me enlighten you.

No man over 50 has ever seen the end of one.

Oh sure, we pretend we have. But the truth is we fell asleep early on and missed all those critical plot twists.

That's why you'll hear middle-aged men uttering sentences like, "So you're saying the ship sunk?" right after watching *The Titanic*.

I have not seen the end of a TV show in the last four years – and neither have most of my friends.

This might not seem interesting but I assure you it can be – especially when you listen to a couple of middle-aged men talking about the show or movie they recently watched.

Typically, the conversation begins with them going into great detail about the first 15 minutes. After that, they basically make things up.

My friend Tom and I were recently talking about the movie *The Revenant*, which judging from the first part of the movie I was awake for, was about a man who learned that grizzly bears are not fun to be around.

Tom is over 50 so we discussed the first half of the movie in a way that would have made Siskel and Ebert proud. We talked at length about the historical accuracies, the great cinematography, and the graphic nature in which they depicted the bear attack.

After that, however, it got entertaining.

Suspecting he never stayed awake after the bear attack scene either, I began tentatively with, "I thought the wagon chase scene was well done but a bit cliché...."

Tom didn't bat an eye but added,

"Yes, when that flaming arrow stuck in the gunpowder keg, I thought it was all over for the hero..."

He said it with such conviction that I almost believed he hadn't fallen asleep at all. In which case, I risked losing all credibility for making things up.

Do that and your hunting and fishing stories get examined a little more closely – and no one wants that.

So, I proceeded cautiously.

After thinking of every western of my youth, I blurted out the most probable response, "Well, you've got to admit it was lucky he jumped off the wagon before they got to the cliff. That was a high one. If the fall didn't kill him the explosion would have..."

I must have guessed correctly because Tom replied, "At least he fooled the bad guys."

"Yup," I added, this time a bit more confidently. "That guy with the black hat and scar sure was mean."

Tom nodded again and said, "His white stallion sure was beautiful though."

And that was his undoing.

What bad guy rides a white horse?

I was so appalled at my buddy's dishonesty that I ramped mine up a bit.

"He sure looked good in that frilly dress though," I smirked. "Of course, he did spend a lot of time shaving his legs with a straight razor during the shoot out. I thought that was a bit far-fetched. I mean, he didn't nick himself once."

Things can get out of hand when you throw out a line like that.

That's because the other fellow is suddenly confronted by a statement so bizarre that he is forced to wonder if it might have actually been part of the movie. And he knows that if he says the wrong thing at this point, the huge house of BS he has lovingly built will collapse like a deck of cards – and his hunting and fishing stories will follow.

So Tom said the only safe thing a man can say at a time like that. "I must have dozed off for that part. But, I woke up at the end, just as they rode off into the sunset..."

I nodded in agreement.

"It was an OK movie," he added.

"Yup, certainly better than those foreign films you have to think about," I replied.



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pic of the past

This pic of the past was taken on Minden's main street in 1954 of John Hallam and Marjorie Hadley standing in front of the gift shop that was then owned by Harold Morgan Sr. It is now the Up River Trading Co. Submitted by Edna Morgan

100 mile reading

Draft Dodger? by J. Michael Fay

It's 1967 and as the involvement of the U.S. in the Vietnam War is escalating, public opposition to the war is growing. Danny James is opposed to the war, putting him at odds with his friends. Determined to fight for social justice he becomes a community organizer to help those who need it most. But as the U.S. enacts a lottery for the draft, nullifying Danny's deferment, he makes the decision to cross the border and set up a new life for himself and new wife in Canada. But soon the challenges of relationships, family, and finding yourself in a new country threaten Danny's idealism.

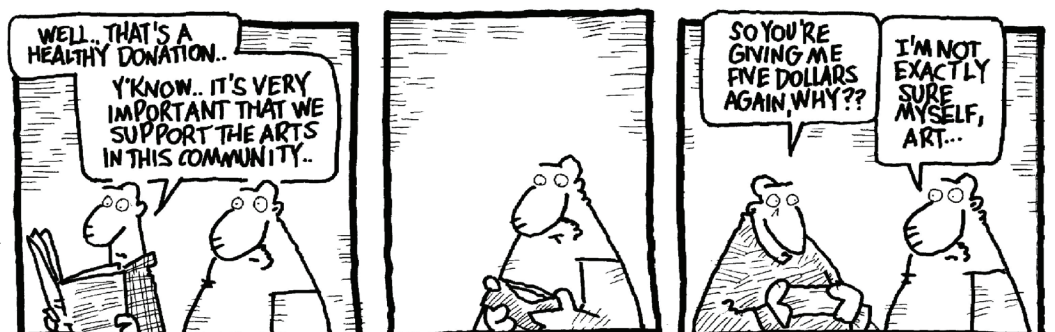
Draft Dodger? by J. Michael Fay continues his series of e-published long form stories, all of which feature cover art by local artist Karen Sloan. They are available to reserve at the Haliburton County Public Library through Overdrive.

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Holiday donations to SIRCH feed and comfort

JENN WATT

Editor

On many Mondays in the spring and fall of 2015 Baked and Battered was packed to the brim with customers. Transformed to a French bistro or a Russian eatery, students in SIRCH's Cook It Up program greeted guests, waited tables and served appetizers, entrees and desserts to hungry patrons.

The meal was free, a clever training program for food industry workers. Diners were asked to make donations and leave comments about the experience.

A tribute to generosity and kindness, the program was successful in large part because of how many people came together to support the trainees, meet their neighbours, try new food and offer their services. In the end, trainees left with a host of skills that would help with finding jobs in food service or other customer service positions.

The last round of trainees, nine in total, were all offered jobs when the program was over.

"I think our training is unique in that it changes people's attitude from I can't to I can. It gives them confidence by letting them interact with the public," says SIRCH executive director Gena Robertson.

In 2016, the Haliburton-based charity held two other training programs: Chic and Unique, which taught upcycling techniques in Haliburton; and Works of Wood, which taught carpentry in Bancroft.

"Our focus is not just on ... carpentry or cooking or upcycling. It's also about what are the additional skills you need," Robertson says.

SIRCH is seeking donations from the community this holiday season to help them continue with innovative training opportunities and to support its food and bereavement programs.

Community Kitchen supplies some 3,500 meals a year to those in need and this year intends to continue with its Simply Homemade program, that sells meals for \$5 each and supplies food to the summer students at Haliburton School of Art and Design.

"The money [from fundraising] this year is going to fund things that have no permanent government funding," says Robertson.

Aside from bereavement, food and training programs, SIRCH also provides the Community Action Program for Children and the Canada Prenatal Nutrition Program, which receive government funding. Thrift Warehouse in Haliburton and Bancroft are both social enterprises, which create jobs and revenue for the charity through the sale of used goods.

Over its 28-year history, SIRCH has created a large number of programs, many of which continue in the community today. The practice has often been that SIRCH launches the initiative and divests it later. Examples of this include mental health services, hospice services, Dig In workshops and others.

Over the years, SIRCH has become perhaps the only local charity that can adapt to community needs with new programs quickly.

"SIRCH has been part of what has

shaped Haliburton County. In that 28th year, we're still trying to create and make positive changes," says Cammy George, Gifts from the Heart campaign co-ordinator.

The campaign organizers hope to surpass \$30,000 over the Christmas fundraiser, which will allow the food programming and bereavement programs to continue unabated. Donations also give SIRCH the ability to innovate and create, which is what the organization does best.

"SIRCH is entirely unique," says Robertson. "There are very few communities where there's an organization whose job it is to try to fill gaps working in partnership with other people. We have flexibility to do that," she says. "I think the community has benefited from that ability to be flexible, to take risks, to try new things."

To donate, call SIRCH at 705-457-1742 ex. 28 or go to www.sirch.on.ca or mail a cheque to SIRCH Community Services, Box 687, Haliburton, ON, K0M 1S0. You will receive a gift card in the mail, which you can give to the gift recipient. Tax receipts are issued for donations of \$20 or more.



Community Kitchen volunteer Sandre Daoust chops squash for a steaming turkey stew in this file photo. Community Kitchen is one of the many programs SIRCH provides to the area. They are in the midst of their Gifts from the Heart campaign.



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Telehomecare program aims to reduce emergency room volumes

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

A new program from the Central East Community Care Access Centre is aiming to mitigate traffic at emergency rooms through a telehomecare program that allows patients with heart failure and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) to practise self-monitoring and connect with practitioners from home.

Cathy Slevin, engagement lead manager for the CCAC's telehomecare program, says the program's intent is two-fold; to ease pressure on emergency rooms and also to improve the lives of patients.

"It helps out our hospital system by keeping people out of the hospital ER," Slevin says. "We have a lot of repeat visitors."

Those repeat visitors are often seniors who suffer heart failure and COPD and who head to the emergency room when they are feeling symptoms. The program also prevents patients from having to make those visits.

"It improves their quality of life," Slevin says, explaining that often when patients experience troubling symptoms, that is accompanied by anxiety, which in turn worsens the symptoms.

The program outfits patients with a kit that includes a tablet computer, blood pressure cuff, oxygen monitor

and scale.

"Those tools monitor your vital signs," Slevin says. Readings from the equipment are transmitted to the tablet, with nurses able to remotely keep track of the readings. The patient also answers a series of questions on the tablet each day, the whole process taking less than 15 minutes.

If a question is answered in a disconcerting way or if readings are poor, "what our nurse sees is a red symbol beside the patient's name," Slevin says.

Nurses and patients make contact by phone once a week.

The service is completely funded through the province and a technician visits the patients at their homes, training them on the devices.

While the technological aspect of the program has been intimidating for some patients – most are over the age of 70 – "it's the easiest thing," Slevin says, paraphrasing a 78-year-old patient who recently joined.

"It's very user-friendly," Slevin says. "And they have the support of our team."

Good news for Haliburton County residents is that the program does not require users to have the Internet.

"We can connect people regardless of whether they have Internet or not," Slevin says. As she explains, routers and SIM cards are used in cases where Internet is not available.

She says a number of people in the county are using

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— Engagement lead manager for the CCAC's telehomecare program, Cathy Slevin

the program and that, "we haven't encountered any issues with connectivity."

Patients keep the kits for six months and by the end of that period, it's hoped they are well-acquainted enough to practise self-monitoring and know when the situation is severe enough to warrant medical attention. She says many patients go out and purchase their own blood pressure cuffs and oxygen monitors after having used the program.

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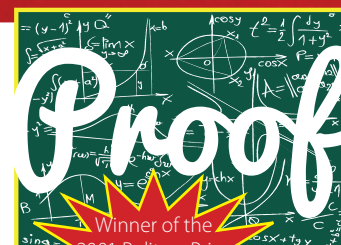
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Bluegrass festival to heat up Haliburton winter

JENN WATT

Editor

In the depth of Haliburton winter, the sweet sounds of bluegrass music will be heard drifting across hills of snow and over icy lakes emanating from Pinestone Resort, host venue for Bluegrass in the Highlands Winter Festival Friday, Feb. 24 and Saturday, Feb. 25.

Organizers Lynda Weir, Sue Gallant and Dennis Casey – all lovers of the country subgenre born in the American Appalachians – imagined a gathering during a season when very little bluegrass is happening in Ontario.

“It started with a selfish motivation,” Gallant says: the organizers simply wanted to hear more bluegrass. Gallant and Weir are regular attendees of the River Valley festival and over the years had gotten to know many bluegrass groups. They started travelling to other events and then got to thinking about a large period of the year when there is no five-string banjo to be heard.

The last event of the year – the Central Canadian Bluegrass Awards – is at Deerpark in November. Casey is one of the main organizers of the Minden Hills Bluegrass Festival, which takes place at the fairgrounds in the summer.

It took little persuasion to get groups on board, Weir says. They simply put out a request and the response was positive. Hard Ryde, Winter Line, Davis and Grant, Sweetgrass, Jim Hayward and Wilowridge, the Tebworth Brothers, Northland Ramblers and The Bintree Bluegrass Band all agreed to join in. Pinestone

was similarly enthusiastic for the opportunity, which takes place after many of the key Haliburton Highlands events.

The organizers envision a relaxed atmosphere with bands playing in the ballroom of the Pinestone and other groups turning the resort into a musical meeting place where they can improvise on the resort’s lobby piano or “pick and play” in the many alcoves throughout the property.

The committee is hoping the local community will embrace the festival by buying tickets and that businesses will support the endeavour for its economic development potential by becoming sponsors.

“Locals could come for Friday night where there will be six bands for \$35,” Weir says. Weekend passes (Friday and Saturday) are \$70 in advance, \$75 at the door. Saturday only is \$45, Saturday evening only is \$40. Sponsorships range from “silver” level at \$500 to “friends” level at \$100 with various perks and incentives.

The committee isn’t looking to make money on the festival – they’d just like to break even.

“It’s a shoestring budget with no shoestring,” laughs Weir.

Weir points out that attendees of the event likely won’t stay on the resort property for both days and will be given grab bags with tourism information.

“They’re not going to be listening to music the whole time,” she says; they might want to rent a snowmobile, take a trip to Timmy’s or head up to the Wolf Centre.

For those who have never heard bluegrass music, searching the bands’ names

on YouTube will produce many examples.

“No matter how sad the words are, you can’t help but tap your foot,” says Weir. “I’m in awe of them when I hear them.”

For more information about the Bluegrass in the Highlands Winter Festival (Friday, Feb. 24 and Saturday, Feb. 25),

call Gallant at 705-457-3604; Weir at 705-447-2348/705-935-1105; or email bluegrassinthehighlands@gmail.com. If you book before Dec. 24, your name will be entered in a draw to have the costs of accommodation and weekend pass waived.



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**Maybelle's
Fireside stories**

The time's they are a-changin'. Why if ol' Maybelle wasn't at a potluck fundraiser the other night in Lake WhaddyathinkI mean when Flora McDermott walks in holding what appeared to be two plates of mouth-watering homemade chocolates. They were tiny morsels drizzled with coconut and full of coconut butter, cocoa and other to-live-for ingredients. There were also two hand printed cards, one on top of each batch that read: "with" and the other, "without."

"Without what, dear?" I asked Flora, hoping it would be sugar so I wouldn't feel so guilty about having some.

"Oh, without marijuana," she said matter-of-fact-like.

Why if my upper bridge didn't go flying right out of my mouth, don'tcha know.

"Flora," I said, my gums flapping in the air. "Look what you made me do. I laughed so hard, my teeth flew out. You are a card, girl. A real card."

"No, really, May," she said, handing me my bridge in a paper napkin. "I made these chocolates without marijuana, actually, hemp oil and the other batch of chocolates, *with*."

"With *pot*?" I said. "You brought pot to a potluck?"

"Yes, try a piece."

"But, Flora," I whispered. "Isn't it illegal?"

"No, May dear, I have a prescription for it. My lower back, you know."

That's when Clifford, Clarisse Fuller's big St. Bernard, sniffed his way over to the table and in one fell swoop gobbled up the entire plate of chocolates that had the handwritten card on it: *with*.

"Clifford!" Flora shouted quickly grabbing the *without* chocolates from the table. "Sorry, May, I was hoping you might try a piece," she said.

"Why, wouldn't that be something?" I thought, but didn't say outloud. That would be a first for ol' Maybelle. And just the thought of it made me giggle. I mean, here I was at a fundraiser at my next door neighbour, Clarisse's house, and a plate of chocolates made with something considered "taboo" my whole life was sitting next to a cheese and mac casserole, meat lasagna, red pepper corn bread, beer chili, and Clarisse's Auntie Fester's green pineapple ring jello mould, don'tcha know.

I was downright fascinated. You see, I had read several articles about marijuana and hemp oil, and knew that a little bit wouldn't hurt me. In fact, it might even make my knees feel better like it did Flora's back. But my chance was gone. Clifford ate it.

"Wait," I told Flora. "I'll have a piece of that regular chocolate, at least," I said reaching out my hand and popping it in my mouth. "Mmmm. Ohhhh. I'm melllllllling!" I said. "If that other batch was even half as good ..."

"Look at him!" Flora laughed, pointing at Clifford who was rolling around in the corner of the long room like a beer barrel in a windstorm. "He's cooing."

And if she wasn't right! Why, ol' Clifford was cooing so loudly, you could have sworn that pooch was a four-legged dove.

And that was it. A new page had begun. A couple lines of what was to come. What would one day, in the not too distant future, become the norm at social gatherings: Food, beer, wine and candy that could transform a 100 pound St. Bernard into a bird.

Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. Jerelyn's novel, Vessie Flamingo Outshining the Moon, is available at amazon.com.



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Midwives bridge gaps in health care

JENN WATT

Editor

Midwives in Ontario spend four years training in low-risk obstetrics. They are registered with the College of Midwives of Ontario and are held to high standards of training and practice. Still, local midwives say, there are misconceptions about what they can provide and questions about how they fit into pregnancy care.

"Some of the misconceptions are we don't have a university education, that we're not licensed," says registered midwife Stephanie Simon, who joined the Midwifery Services of Haliburton-Bancroft in October. "Another misconception is we only do deliveries at home and that we don't do clinical things."

While midwives do offer women the option of delivering at home when it is safe to do so, they have permissions at area hospitals and carry with them the same equipment as a Level 1 hospital.



The Midwifery Service of Haliburton-Bancroft provides three registered midwives to the Haliburton area: from left, Kathleen Perecko, Rebecca Weeks and Stephanie Simon. Together they deliver about 60 babies a year in the Bancroft Haliburton area. They're holding an open house on Friday, Nov. 25 before the Santa Claus Parade in Haliburton and would like you to come meet them. JENN WATT Staff

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Registered midwife Kathleen Perecko says in the Haliburton and Bancroft communities there's still a gap in awareness about the work they do.

To address some of the questions and curiosity the public might have about their services, Midwifery Services of Haliburton-Bancroft along with their community support group, Friends of Haliburton-Bancroft Midwives, are hosting a Christmas open house on Friday, Nov. 25 starting at 4:30 p.m. – the same day as the Santa Claus Parade in Haliburton.

Simon says she'd love to see some of the people whose babies were born with the assistance of the midwives as well as others who would like to check out the office, at 64 Victoria St. There will be popcorn, hot chocolate and crafts for the kids.

Using a midwife offers unique benefits for expectant mothers and for postpartum care, Perecko says, and those benefits are amplified in the Highlands.

"We are the only obstetrical care providers in Haliburton County who will ... look after people for their entire pregnancy," she says. The midwives have privileges at Peterborough Regional Health Centre and Ross Memorial Hospital.

The local midwifery clinic serves the incredibly large coverage area from Coe Hill to Maynooth, Kinmount to Carnarvon. Three midwives: Simon, Perecko and Rebecca Weeks see an average of 60 women each year assisted by office administrator Elaine Mahler.

The practice started in 2008 and relocated from below V&S to the Victoria Street location in 2015. The new location is bright and comfortable with a modern exam rooms and a welcoming living-room-turned-waiting-room.

One of the biggest benefits to using midwives is their proximity. Rather than travel to Peterborough, for instance, six or seven times near-

ing the end of the pregnancy, women can visit the midwives. Perecko and Simon both say they try to send women to larger centres only when necessary to reduce time on the road. Following the baby's birth, the midwives travel to women's homes for follow-up visits.

"We're there 24-7 through a pager that people can access us at any time that they need to with any urgent or non-urgent concerns," says Perecko.

Those who use midwives regularly report shorter labours, less use of analgesics and less significant tearing, Perecko says. After the child is born, the expertise and care given has similar benefits.

"The research that we have shows that this postpartum care that midwives provide [leads to] reduced infection rates in the postpartum period, reduced readmission rates to hospitals for both moms and babies and if people are choosing to breastfeed ... the breastfeeding rates are significantly higher than those who want to breastfeed, but don't go with a care provider who has experience and expertise with breastfeeding support," Perecko says.

Both Simon and Perecko stress that they can provide information, but their jobs are about supporting the decisions of the client.

"If you want an epidural, I will work my hardest to get you an epidural," says Perecko, as an example.

The midwives would like to meet with anyone interested in their services or those who just want information.

"If someone is contemplating [using a midwife] they can certainly come to see us," Simon says.

No referrals are needed and midwives can work with pregnant women at any stage of their pregnancy. For more information, give them a call at 705-457-9992, go to haliburtonbancroftmidwives.ca or check out the open house on Nov. 25 starting at 4:30 p.m. at 64 Victoria St.



Festive fundraiser for Haliburton skate park

Top left, Shannon Neville looks to Melissa Stephens for the timing to join the band at the Uplift concert at Haliburton United Church on Nov. 18. JENN WATT Staff

Below, Karen Frybort sings Let's Go Up during the Uplift concert at the Haliburton United Church on Friday, Nov. 18. Money raised went to the church and to the skate park.

Below left, Melissa Stephens, front, plays keyboard with The Robin Mark Tribute Band on Friday, Nov. 18, at the Haliburton United Church.





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Michael Flaherty, 38, has been making ceramic art for many years and will be bringing his knowledge to the Haliburton School of Art and Design at the end of this month. The avid traveller and outdoorsman will be giving a talk at the college titled *Off The Beaten Path* on Nov. 30. PHOTO SUBMITTED



Ceramics artist and avid traveller coming to HSAD

ANGELICA INGRAM

Staff Reporter

Michael Flaherty isn't your average ceramics artist. Born in Newfoundland, Flaherty has lived in many of Canada's 10 provinces and has crossed North America by bicycle.

An artist who likes to explore the outside, repair bikes and live adventurously, Flaherty is bringing his unique style to Haliburton at the end of this month to teach at the Haliburton School of Art and Design and give a talk titled *Off The Beaten Path*.

He is a graduate of Nova Scotia College of Art and Design and the University of Regina and has taught at many post-secondary institutions. He will be making his third appearance at HSAD this fall.

A self-proclaimed vagabond, Flaherty spent a few years travelling from studio to studio, school to school and job to job, he said.

"I have been travelling and working and studying for a long time and then a couple of years ago I decided I wanted a bit of a change of pace and I moved to a small town, as we say in Newfoundland, around the bay, and set up my pottery business," he said.

His pottery career took off in the last few years, following a focus on experimental ceramics and sculpture.

He will be teaching students enrolled in the ceramic certificate program at HSAD from Nov. 28 to Dec. 9.

"Students get to kind of hash out some ideas, pick a project that they're interested in working on and then complete it during those two weeks," he said.

Flaherty thoroughly enjoys teaching because of the interaction with the students and exchanges that take place.

"I enjoy the discussion," he said. "I think the learning process goes both ways when you're a teacher. You're not just a teacher you're also a student, and I learn a lot from my students ... my students are always thoughtful and challenging and interesting people to spend a little bit of time with."

Aside from art, Flaherty has a wide range of interests, that include politics and activism, humour and parody.

He has long been drawn to the outdoors and to travel.

"I did an art project in 2007 where I bicycled across North America and I stopped in art galleries to offer my services as a bicycle repairman to the public, so people could just stop at the art gallery and bring their bike in," he said. "That was one project of mine where travel was intrinsically part of the art piece."

Flaherty has exhibited his work in galleries across North America.

His talk will focus on the artwork he has created during the past decade, which he describes as "unconventional."

"It's mostly ceramics but some other sorts of performance and intervention art as well," he said. "A lot of it's really to do with the outdoors and exploration, so *Off The Beaten Path*."

Off The Beaten Path will take place in the Great Hall at HSAD on Nov. 30 at 7 p.m.

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Hawks hockey 2016-2017 schedule

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Tuesday, Nov. 29 HHSS at LCVI 2 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 1 LCVI at HHSS 1:45 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 7 TASS at HHSS 3:50 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 14 Adam Scott at HHSS 3:50 p.m.

Wednesday Jan. 11 and Thursday Jan. 12 St. Peter's Classic tournament

Wednesday, Feb. 8 Campbellford at HHSS 3:50 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 9 HHSS at TASS 1 p.m., Cobourg at Haliburton 3:45 Kinsmen arena

Tuesday, Feb. 14 HHSS at Crestwood 3:45 p.m.

*Schedule is subject to change without notice. See hhs.tdsb.on.ca/ for updates.



The Red Hawks varsity boys' hockey team has been preparing for the Kawartha High School Hockey League the past few weeks. They will play its first game against LCVI on Tuesday, Nov. 29 in Lindsay and then hold its home opener against TASS on Wednesday, Dec. 7 at the A.J. LaRue Arena. Puck drops at 3:50 p.m./DARREN LUM Staff

Core of Hawks returns for title run

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

This pre-season the Red Hawks boys' varsity hockey team is looking competitive said coach Ron Yake.

Yake said this year's team boasts nine returning players, who have demonstrated great balance at all positions.

"These returning players will be asked to bring their game to the next level and lead the team. If they can do this, the team will have success. A

few new players that have been added should add some excitement to the Red Hawk team play," he said. "Our focus early in the season will be team play that promotes success which will include moving the puck, positional play, and discipline. If the team can develop this, it will be a great start to the season." Last year the team did not earn berth to the OFSAA (Ontario Federation School Athletic Association) championship. It lost 6-2 to Centennial of Belleville in Belleville. The Hawks failed to earn an all-provincial berth for the first time in three years after two consecutive years of making it to the final 16.

Notice



NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF AN OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Council for The Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East will be holding a public meeting under Section 17 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, C.P. 13 as amended, to inform the public of the Municipality's intent to implement provisions of the approved Trent Source Protection Plan, which covers the Crowe Valley Conservation source protection area.

A public meeting is being held in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act to provide members of the community with an opportunity to learn more about the proposed amendment and to provide comments to Council.

DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING

Date: Monday, December 12, 2016 at 11:00 a.m.

Location: 101 Holmes Road - the new County Library, Wilberforce, ON

DETAILS OF THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

The proposed Official Plan Amendment implements the Trent Source Protection Plan (which covers the Crowe Valley Conservation protection area) by establishing new land use policies in the Highlands East Official Plan to ensure that all municipal drinking water sources within the Municipality are recognized in accordance with the Source Protection Plan. The proposed amendment will apply to two wellhead protection areas, which are located in Cardiff Village and Dyno Estates. The amendment will establish land use restrictions and development policies in accordance with the Trent Source Protection Plan.

The draft Official Plan Amendment (OPA 2) will not be adopted by Council at this public meeting. Subsequent to receiving and considering any comments from members of the public, Council

Cardiff Village Wellhead Protection Area



for the Municipality of Highlands East will adopt the Official Plan Amendment, and it will be forwarded to the County of Haliburton as the County is the approval authority for Official Plans.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND KEY MAP

The lands subject to the amendment are identified on the key maps below.

The purpose of this meeting is to ensure that sufficient information is made available to enable the public to generally understand the Source Protection Plan and the draft Amendment. Any person who attends the meeting shall be afforded an opportunity to provide comments to Council. If you cannot attend this meeting, written submissions will be accepted by Council provided they are dated and signed.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East with respect to the proposed amendment you must submit a written request (with forwarding addresses) to the Clerk of the Municipality of Highlands East. If you have questions with respect to the draft amendment, please contact Chris Jones MCIP, RPP, (Municipal Planning Services Ltd at (705) 725-8133.

The draft Official Plan Amendment is available to the public for inspection at the Municipality of Highlands East Municipal Office located at 2249 Loop Road, Wilberforce, Ontario, Monday to Friday, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 pm or by calling Ms. Irene Cook at (705) 448-2981. The existing Official Plan and associated mapping are also available on line at www.HighlandsEast.ca

Irene Cook – Clerk
Municipality of Highlands East

Dyno Wellhead Protection Area



COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the Planning Act and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held **Monday, December 12th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, this Application for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

File No. H-032/16

Applicant: Jeff & Suzanne Montgomery

Location of Property: Lot 5, Plan 434, Geographic Township of Dudley

Nature of the Application: Lot addition

File No. H-033/16

Applicant: Douglas F. Lapp

Location of Property: Lot 6, Plan 434, Geographic Township of Dudley

Nature of the Application: Lot addition

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 22nd day of November, 2016.

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Red Hawks court ready for success

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

The beginning of any season provides optimism and hope for the best said the Red Hawks senior girls' volleyball coach Steve Smith.

"There are some high expectations by their coach," he said, raising his voice slightly for the players. "I always throw OFSAA at them every year. Sometimes it's a pipe dream, but you never know; anything can happen in competition."

Smith takes over the senior team from last year's coach Michelle Backus, who is the assistant this year.

He is also being assisted by Hawks volleyball alum Shae Hutchings and Grace Diezel, who are also helping the junior team when scheduling permits.

Help is imperative because the two teams are holding practices every day Monday to Thursday (with an occasional Friday), alternating morning and after school practices.

Three girls have come up from the junior team: back-up setter Freya Moran; power, Kristie Clements; and libero Madeline Hopkins.

"The whole team is coming along. This practice was way better than some," he said, referring to last Tuesday afternoon.

The rookies he said are adjusting to the five-one system rotation – five hitters and one setter – while the returning seniors are getting reacquainted.

The team's schedule has not been finalized, but Smith believes games will start at the end of this month or the beginning of December. Haliburton Highlands Secondary School is expected to host a tournament.

There were 18 young women who tried out for the seniors. Only 10 were chosen for the team.

A captain has not been selected for the team. Generally, Smith said he leaves one selection to be voted by his team and one selected by him.

As evident by the laughter and smiles of his players during a practice last week, he is continuing to endorse a light atmosphere. In some 20 years of coaching Smith has never thrown anything and rarely raises his voice and doesn't see the need.

He doesn't believe in the stern approach and

only ever really gets serious if safety is a question.

"You can't be serious all the time with the athletes. They get serious at school all the time so I try to mix it up. There are times where we are going to be serious. A lot of times my morning practices tend to be a little more serious. The fine line for me is safety. We can have fun, but we still have to be safe," he said.

He has encouraged music at practice and even brought a portable bluetooth-equipped speaker so his players can amplify their own music from the mobile phones. It lightens the mood and relaxes his players, he said.

Anybody he has coached knows if he slightly raises his voice it's for a valid reason, which he said is his "hammer time."

"I can usually give a look and that's enough. That will suffice. Hammer time is just my voice," he said.

Smith, as he did with the field hockey program, stepped away from coaching for a few years for personal reasons.

As far as he was concerned it was like he never left and loves being back.

"It's like I haven't left the gym. It feels comfortable for me. The girls, the athletes have really welcomed me back. There is a sense of anticipation. A lot of the girls haven't had me as a coach. Hopefully, we learn together and grow together and we're successful together. The way I explain it to the girls is when we win it's because you guys have won and if we've lost I need to teach you some more ... I try to promote that."

This approach, he adds, works for him and the girls, who are emboldened by the philosophy.

Everything old is new again with junior Red Hawks

Smith stepped away, but has returned to coach the junior girls' volleyball team, comprising of mostly Grade 10 athletes.

He said from 22 hopefuls he chose 14 to represent the school this season. In the past, the team has had 12 players, but with so many Grade 10s on the team this season he wanted to have a few players gain important experience for the future. He characterized the Grade 9s as "very green."

However, he said they have demonstrated a lot of potential and will use the exhibition tournaments to get up to speed with the other players.

"There is a lot of raw talent, like athletic. They are very athletic. It's going to be a good season. Both," he said.

Smith takes over from last year's coach Brett Caputo, who was assisted by Sharon Dibblee and Dan Gimon took over the team late in 2015 when Caputo could not continue coaching during the 2015-2016 season.

Left, The Red Hawks senior volleyball backup setter and rookie Freya Moran twists in the air, barely missing the ball at practice last week, preparing for the 2016-2017 high school season. Head coach Steve Smith loves the attitude of his team and believes they have the potential to go to the all-provincials./DARREN LUM Staff

Top right, The Red Hawks senior volleyball player Abby Gordon jumps to hit a ball in practice last week, preparing for the 2016-2017 high school season./DARREN LUM Staff

Right, The Red Hawks senior volleyball players Rachel Churko, left, Emma Scheffee and Jamie Little watch as backup setter Freya Moran settles under a pass in practice last week./DARREN LUM Staff



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5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
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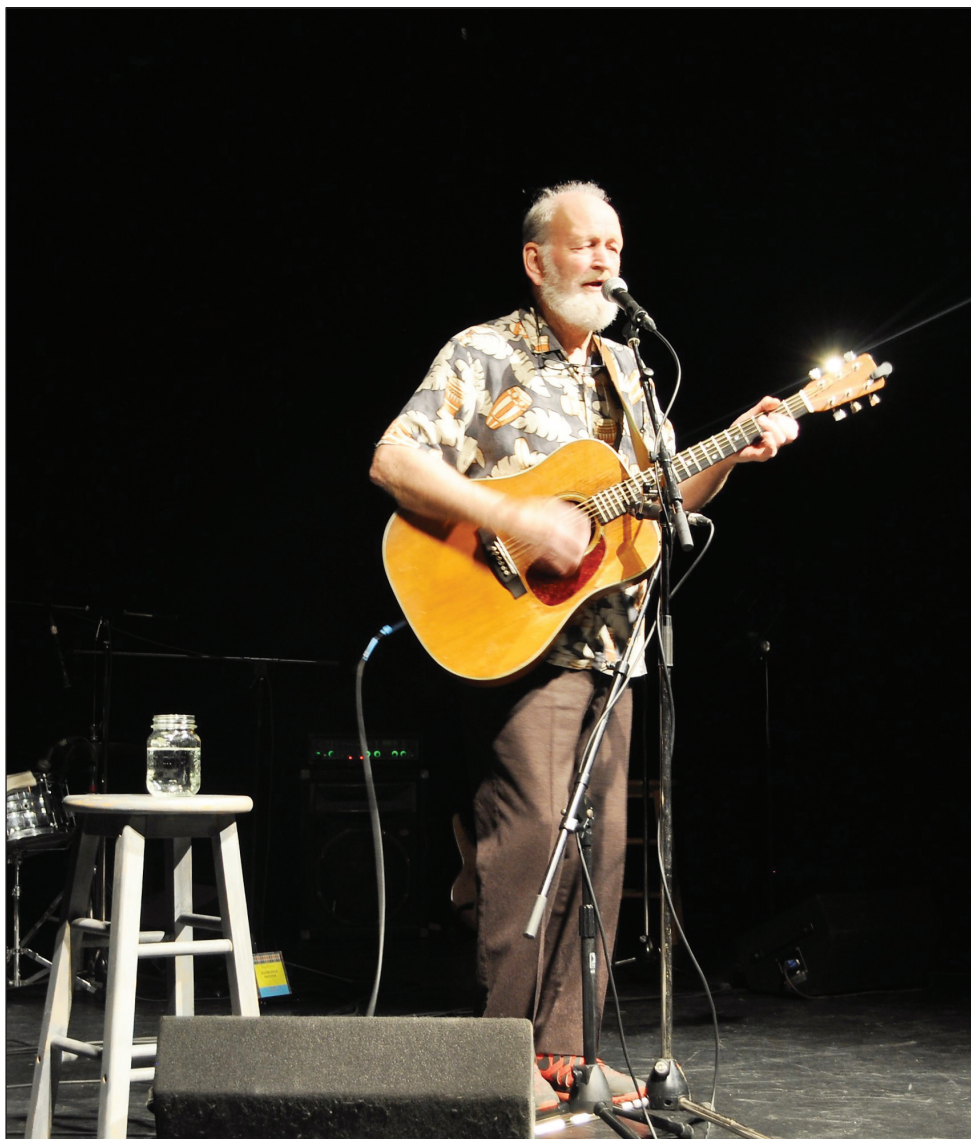
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 * Presents for all the kids! * Dog Sled Rides (If Conditions Permit) *
 * Bring your camera for a picture with Santa! *

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DOG SLED RIDES: 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Weather Permitting • Sponsored by Winterdance Dogsled Tours
CHRISTMAS MUSIC & CAROLING
Featuring Jeff Moulton: 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
SHOOT TO WIN: 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm
PIZZA & GOODIES: 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
VISIT SANTA: 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

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Valdy entertains Haliburton crowd

Folk singer Valdy performs one of his many hits at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion on Nov. 12. The sold-out concert was part of the Haliburton County Folk Society's series. The Juno award-winning performer mixed in some laughs with his tunes that touch on topics such as birth, Christmas and Fort McMurray. ANGELICA INGRAM Staff



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Novices compete in McKechnie Classic

The Haliburton Timber Mart/Canadian Tire Highland Storm novice team competed in the Walt McKechnie Fall Classic Novice Tournament in Haliburton on Saturday, Nov. 19. The Storm faced the Deep River Knights in their first game of the day and came out strong, striking first and taking the early lead. The Storm capitalized on key scoring opportunities as the result of strong defensive play. After three periods of play the Storm came out on top with a 8-1 victory over the Knights. It was another solid team performance with all Storm players adding to the final tally. Strong goaltending by Chase Winder sealed the deal for the Storm.

In their second game of the day, the Haliburton Timber Mart/Canadian Tire Highland Storm novice team were looking to keep their winning streak alive when the puck dropped against the Stirling Blues. It was goal-for-goal action during the first two periods leaving the score tied at two with one period left to play. The Storm came alive in the third and started to widen the gap. Excellent skating, checking and positional play kept the Blues from responding and earned the Storm their second victory with a 6-3 win over Stirling.

Looking to end their day undefeated, the Haliburton Timber Mart/Canadian Tire Highland Storm novice team played against the North Bay Trappers in the last game of round robin play. The Storm were too much for the Trappers to handle, scoring early and often. The Storm controlled the tempo of the game from start to finish and capitalized on some key turnover opportunities. Another win for the Storm and a trip to the A Finals on Sunday, Nov. 20.

With some much-needed rest, the Haliburton Timber Mart/Canadian Tire Highland Storm novice team were ready for action as they squared off against the Lindsay Muskies in the A finals of the tournament on Sunday, Nov. 20. It was a tight game with no room for mistakes for either squad. After two periods the game remained scoreless until early in the third when the Muskies struck first. Down by three goals, the Storm responded with a goal of their own but came up short on this day. The final score was 4-1 in favour of the Muskies. Congratulations Storm on a great weekend of hockey. The novice team is back in action on Sunday, Nov. 27 when they travel to Fenelon Falls to play against Sturgeon.

Submitted by Janice Scheffee

Midget B girls have mixed results

The Bancroft I.D.A./Red Eagle Family Campground midget B girls hosted the Ennismore Eagles on Saturday afternoon at their annual Bancroft Jets Girls' Minor Hockey Day. After a scoreless first period, Bancroft took an unanswered 1-0 lead with Sara Switzer's wrist from the point that eluded the screened Eagle net-minder midway through the second period. The Jets continued to pressure the Ennismore defence and added to their lead early in the third period with Jules Crockery causing a turnover behind the Eagle net and slipping a sweet feed to Tori Shpikula, who one-timed a quick snap shot into the short side to make the score 2-0. Danielle Sunstrum rounded out the scoring late in the third, capitalizing on another forced turnover and sliding the puck into the net. Katie Hoover stopped all Eagle snipers in the 3-0 shut win – her seventh of the season.

On Sunday evening, the Jets travelled to Lindsay to take on the Lynx in their first meeting of the season. Lindsay

pressured the Jets every minute of the game and opened the scoring late in the first period with a power play goal that snuck its way through a maze of players – ending up on the goal line behind everyone – with Lindsay poking the loose puck into the Bancroft net giving the Lynx a 1-0 lead. This single marker proved to be the difference as the Jets could not capitalize on their second and third period efforts to find an equalizing goal. The Lynx stymied Bancroft with their defence to help secure their 1-0 win over the Jets. Use this first loss at our halfway point in the season, girls, to help motivate your focus for the Kitchener Fall Fest Tourney this coming Nov. 25 and 26 weekend, and then get ready to host the Lynx in Bancroft on Monday, Dec. 5 at 7 p.m. for a mid-season rematch.

Submitted by Dan Marsden

Girls Bantam Jets tie home game

The Parkview Dental/Canadian Tire Bantam Jets hosted the Otonabee Wolverines this past Saturday on home ice and despite all of their efforts had to settle for a tied game in the end. The Jets skated hard the entire game and displayed their passing and hockey skills to the crowd on Bancroft Girls Hockey Day.

The first and only goal for the Jets came just over half way into the first period. Olivia Martin got a hold of the puck and had an amazing shot from the side into the left top shelf corner of the Wolverines net. She was assisted by Mackala O'Connor.

The Wolverines scored shortly after evening the score resulting in a 1-1 tie. Courtney Semach had a solid game between the pipes for the Jets stopping many shots and shutting down the determined Wolverines. The girls would like to thank everyone who came out to the game and supported their bake sale fundraising efforts. A big thank you to all of the volunteers as well!

The Jets will hit the road this Saturday, Nov. 26, to take on the Ennismore Eagles at 3 p.m. in Haliburton and will play at home on Sunday, Nov. 27 against the Cold Creek Comets at 4:30 p.m. Come out and cheer the girls on!

Submitted by Linda Goulet

Midget A Storm overtakes Wild

The Storm Midget A team travelled to Sunderland to meet with the Brock Wild Saturday night and returned home with a 4-1 victory. It was a scoreless first period as both teams warmed up. Early in the second, Andrew Hall took a slap shot from the point and got on the scoreboard, assisted by Shawn Walker. Next, Greg Crofts took a pass from Shawn Walker and made his way into the opposing zone. He got by the defence and blazed a shot for the second goal. The momentum picked up in the second period and that one ended 2-1 for the Storm. Halfway through the third, Greg Crofts took a breakaway pass from Andrew Hall, he successfully top cornered the shot for his second and the team's third goal. Later in the third, Carter O'Neill got a pass from Shawn Walker. He expertly deked through and scored, it sealed the win and finished the game 4-1 for the Storm team. Carson Sisson made some pivotal saves and a great job by all players.

Submitted by Suzanne Haedicke

Peewees have busy weekend

The JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports Haliburton Family Medical Team peewee Storm headed to Pem-

broke on Friday, Nov. 18 to participate in the Silver Stick regional tournament. The Storm started the tournament against the Char-Lan Rebels. The Rebels scored first but the Storm weren't going to back down and put in one of their own with a goal by Dylan Keefer assisted by Hunter Winder to tie it up at the end of the first at ones. The Storm kept the pressure on the Rebels putting in another with the goal going to Zander Upton assisted by Kyan Hall and Ben Robinson. The Rebels came back to score two more of their own to put them ahead 3-2 going into the third. The Storm fought back again and scored two more goals to put them back on top 4-3 goals scored by Keefer assisted by Colin Glecoff and Ty Mills and the second goal scored by Evan Armstrong assisted by Keefer. The Rebels came back strong scoring 19 seconds later to tie it back up at four. With Gage Hutchinson rushing the puck up the ice drawing the Rebels to him gave a beautiful pass to Keefer and he netted the puck with 54 seconds left in the third and as time ran out the Storm recorded their first win of the tournament.

Game 2, the Storm were up against the Smith Falls Bears. With an early morning start both teams battled back and forth with no score in the first or second. The Storm were determined to get on the board and did so with a goal by Keefer unassisted. The Bears on the attack came back and scored 30 seconds later to tie it back up. The Storm kept putting on the pressure and scored another with Winder putting it in with the backhand assisted by Keefer. With less than two minutes left the Storm went on the penalty kill with the Bears pulling their goalie the Storm went on defensive mode icing every play. As the seconds wound down the Storm kept their cool and came out with their second win final score 2-1.

Game 3 found the Storm facing the Bancroft Jets. The Storm were on the board first scoring on a breakaway goal by Winder. The Jets came back to score two of their own putting them ahead 2-1 going into the second. The Storm came back and netted two more goals going to Keefer assisted by Winder and Nick Phippen and the second assisted by Glecoff. The Storm took the lead but with the jets continuing the pressure they scored to tie it up at three. The Jets kept up the momentum and scored three more in the third giving the Storm their first loss of the tournament.

With the two wins the Storm were headed to the quarter finals against the second seeded Ottawa West Golden Knights. Both teams battled back in forth in the first and second period with Storm goalie Darian Maddock putting up a wall stopping every shot that came his way. The Storm were the first to go on the board with a goal by Phippen assisted by Glecoff. With less than five minutes left in the game the Knights managed to get one in tying up the game. The next play the Storm took the puck down and scored again putting them up 2-1 goal scored by Keefer unassisted. With momentum on their side the Storm took advantage and scored two more goals scored by Winder unassisted and Keefer unassisted. The Storm took the win 4-1 and were headed to the semi finals.

The semi finals found the Storm against the Kemptville Panthers. The Panthers struck first putting them up 1-0 through the first two periods. The Storm battled hard but the Panthers scored one more to take the game 2-0. Congratulations to the entire peewee team on the great effort this weekend. Next game is Monday Nov. 21 at 6:30 in Fenelon Falls vs the Sturgeon Lake Thunder.

Submitted by Ron Hall

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Atoms tie Otters

The Cottage Country Building Supplies/ Ridgewood Ford Highland Storm atoms hosted the Huntsville Otters at the S.G Nesbitt arena on Nov. 19. The first period started with the Huntsville Otters scoring in the first 10 seconds. However with only 40 seconds left Sawyer Boutin scored the Storm's first goal and Addison Carr scored another with only one second left. Going into the second the score was 2-1. The two teams battled hard in the second. Addison Carr scored his second goal and the Otters answered right after. Going into the third the score was 3-2. The third period was

a nail biter. The Otters scored early tying the game. However Austin Boylan scored and then Aiden Perrott scored making the game 5-3. But with only a few minutes left of the period the Otters scored two goals and the final score was 5-5.

The Cottage County Building Supplies/ Ridgewood Ford atoms play a one-day tournament in Campbellford on Saturday, Nov. 26 and are in Parry Sound for a double header on Sunday, Nov. 27. Games are at 1 p.m. and 3:45 p.m.

Submitted by Amber Card

Hurricanes handed first loss

Home Hardware Intermediate(s) a.k.a. Storm No. 3 were handed their first loss of the regular season on Saturday in Wilberforce. Both teams had a 4-0 record and had an excellent game with Wilberforce coming out on top by a score of 7-5. Wilberforce coach Mike Marshall said that he was very impressed by the players on Home Hardware as they never gave up despite giving up an age and size differential.

Home Hardware's early success has been from the players buying into a very fast-paced game where they change their lines very quickly. Coach Gary White and Asst. Coach Wally Earle ensure the pace of play by encouraging continuous skating, a relentless forecheck and make backchecking equally as important. The team continues to improve each week incorporating new break-out plays and forechecking systems.

The team is a mix of peewees and bantam age players with some having rep experience while others are just starting there hockey career. There have been mul-

tiple goal games from Zachery Davis, Jake Sisson, Aaron Bellefleur, Walker Nesbitt and Damon Harriss. Other team players have had multiple point games, namely Jayme Coltman, Kaine Brannigan, Kyle Bryant and Owen Harrison. The Home Hardware Hurricanes Defence is anchored by bantam age players Danaya MacDuff, Angus Earle and William Petrie. The defence is rounded out with twins Avery and Miah Earle who are first year peewee player who progress continues to improve with every practice and game. The Hurricanes' goalie Emmerson Earle is between the pipes for his first time and has had some excellent performances. Gary and Wally would like to thank all the Storm executive, the parents and especially team manager Crystal Harrison and trainer Cindy Nesbitt for their support in making the players' experience a positive and educational atmosphere.

Submitted by Gary White

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- CLUES ACROSS
- 1. And so forth (abbr.)
 - 4. Used to be United ____
 - 7. Upper left keyboard key
 - 10. Inevitable ruin
 - 12. Consumed
 - 13. N.H. Maine river
 - 14. Sen. Thurmond
 - 16. More (Spanish)
 - 17. Oh, God!
 - 18. Designed chairs
 - 20. Insect living in organized colonies
 - 21. Anglo-Saxon theologian, c.700
 - 22. Ecclesiastics
 - 25. Magic incantation
 - 30. Swan Lake and Don Quixote
 - 31. Affirmative
 - 32. Conspiracy
 - 33. Citizen of Stockholm
 - 38. Light brown
 - 41. Roman judge
 - 43. Sonny & Cher classic
 - 45. Chopped mixture for stuffing
 - 48. Am. Nobel physicist Isodor
 - 49. Maya ____ of Vietnam Veterans Memorial
 - 50. Expressed pleasure
 - 55. In bed
 - 56. Finnish
 - 57. Canacol Energy stock symbol
 - 59. Leather strap for hawks
 - 60. UA fraternity est. 3-9-1856
 - 61. Low, sideless cart
 - 62. They ____
 - 63. Single Lens Reflex
 - 64. Point that is midway between N and NE

- CLUES DOWN
- 1. Murrow, Sullivan & Koch

- 2. Carrying bag
- 3. Countess of Grantham
- 4. Key fruit
- 5. One kept in readiness
- 6. Bring back to normal
- 7. Avid
- 8. Lots of
- 9. Formal close (music)
- 11. Dad's partner
- 13. Point that is one point E of SE
- 15. Myself
- 19. Minor disagreement
- 23. Promotional materials
- 24. Bahama capital
- 25. Rudiments of a subject
- 26. Bleat
- 27. Right linebacker
- 28. Flower petals
- 29. Early culture of Gr. Britain
- 34. Worldwide internet
- 35. 7th Greek letter
- 36. When born (abbr.)
- 37. Before
- 39. Existing forever
- 40. About name
- 41. Myanmar monetary unit
- 42. Island north of Guam
- 44. Soft
- 45. ____ Castell, makers of pens
- 46. Excessively fat
- 47. Eliminates
- 48. A Hindu prince or king in India
- 51. Carrier's invention
- 52. Possessed
- 53. Deserve through action
- 54. Doyen
- 58. A way to change color

Answers on page 26.



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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH AT 6:30

Bands: Kawartha Cavaliers and the Correctional Services Pipes & Drums

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REMEMBER - NO PARKING ON HIGHLAND STREET

The parade is proudly brought to you by the Haliburton BIA and the Haliburton & District Lions Club

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Swimming and Water Safety Tests to be Held Friday, July 24th, 1953

Mr Ron Hall, district supervisor for the Red Cross Swimming and Water Safety Programme, will be in Haliburton Friday the 24th to conduct the tests for the various swimming certificates and badges.

With the continued hot weather attendance has been very good and the various classes are showing marked improvement under the capable direction of Instructor Mike Dzupina.

Thanks to the Haliburton Branch of the Canadian Legion, the courses have been carried on for three weeks rather than two as originally planned and this past week has proved invaluable in rounding out the programme. Many of the non-swimmers of two weeks ago are now taking their first strokes & gaining confidence every

time in the water. The extra week has also showed great improvements among the Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors.

Instructor Mike is to be complimented on the progress already shown and Haliburton is indeed fortunate to have obtained the services of an instructor so well qualified & so capable.

Parents and any others interested are cordially invited to be on hand to watch the tests. In all probability, the tests for the Beginners will be held at the Rotary Beach starting at 1.15 Friday afternoon; for the Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors at the Government Dock beginning at 3.00. Each Swimming Class will be advised of the exact time and place.

New Shopping Centre taking Form

Haliburton - Local residents and cottagers around Haliburton Lake are delighted with the new shopping centre which is rapidly being put in shape.

Darlack's have their new store erected and open for business. It is a spacious cement block building and stocks groceries, fruits, paints and hardware. When the wiring is completed it will also have a refrigerator meat counter. Many cottagers have expressed their pleasure at having this complete department store so handy to their cottages.

A new service station is being built and the land next to Darlack's is being prepared for a new plumbing and heating store.

Car and Truck Collide on Main St.

Haliburton, July 23rd

Traffic on Main St. was inconvenienced for some time this morning as the result of a collision between a truck owned by Young's Fruit Market of Markham and a car driven by Fred Clement.

Damage was slight to both vehicles.

Prov. Constable Langton investigated.

Drives Car into Bridge Injured Near Burnt R.

An accident Sunday at Burnt River caused severe facial injuries to a 22-year-old Toronto man.

Eric Smythe was driving south on the Kimmount Rd., when his car went out of control and smashed into a bridge. The car was badly damaged and Smythe received a broken nose, lacerations and bruises to the face. He was treated by Dr. Jamieson.

Art Dickinson of Lindsay was among the first to arrive at the scene of the accident. He rendered aid there and on arrival at Lindsay.

The incident was investigated by Constable John A. Williams, of the Fenelon Falls detachment of the OPP.

HALIBURTON

Mrs John Flerity of Toronto is the guest of her parents Mr and Mrs John Maguire.

Prov Constable W. C. Winn who is at present stationed at Carson Mines has been visiting with friends here this week.

Dr and Mrs J. T. Speck of Cooksville are spending a few holidays at their cottage on Drag Lake.

Miss Catherine Kerr of Creemore is a visitor at the home of Mr & Mrs Berkeley Feir.

Mrs. Audrey Hanna of St. Catharines is visiting with friends in this area.

Mr and Mrs Dale Lee of Toronto are spending their vacation at the home of the former's parents Mr and Mrs Arthur Lee.

Mr and Mrs W. E. Austin and Everett Austin of Toronto who are holidaying at Cheddar were visitors in town on Monday.

Mr and Mrs John Maguire and children Jonnie and Robert are guests at the home of Mr and Mrs John Maguire.

Mr Grant Kellett who is employed with HEPC at Ottawa is at present home on holidays.

Miss Barbara Millington of Toronto spent the weekend with friends in the village.

Mr Raymond O'Neill of Toronto spent the weekend at his home here.

Messrs. Keith and Ronald Austin who are both employed by the CNR were home this week.

Miss Lois Robertson of the village spent a week's holidays with friends in Toronto.

Miss Jean Montieth was a visitor to Haliburton this week.

Mrs Frank MacIntyre, Mrs Moss Robertson and Miss L. Robertson were shopping visitors to Peterboro on Tuesday.

Letters to the Editor

Little Britain,
July 20, 1953.

The Editor,
Haliburton County Echo
Haliburton, Ontario.

Dear Sir:-

I would like to publicly denounce the Liberal Association of Victoria, Haliburton, North Ontario for their cowardly attack on Mr Clayton Hodgson, contained in a letter published in the Lindsay Post over the signature of Mr Keith Gordon.

This letter infers that Mr Hodgson has been negligent in carrying out his duties as a Federal Member and has been giving his time instead to Provincial matters and that, therefore, he has not been earning his salary as a member of Parliament.

These are untruthful, low and cowardly statements to make against a man who has the interest of all people of his constituency at heart, be they Liberal or Conservative. I maintain Mr Editor, that Mr Hodgson has done more for his constituency than most members of the Liberal Government have done for theirs, and to do this, he has had to work hard and faithfully.

The letter over Mr Gordon's signature, is trying to convey that a member of Parliament should give his full time to Federal matters. Of course anyone with a grain of sense knows that members of Parliament are business and professional men who have to run their own business, as well as representing their constituency when parliament meets.

If Mr Hodgson wishes to spend time when Parliament is not sitting, in the service of the people of his constituency, he should be commended for so doing, instead of being slandered. A man who can serve the people he represents as well as Mr Hodgson has done, is a man worth keeping.

I submit, Mr Editor, that if the Canadian Parliament had more men of the calibre of Mr Hodgson, who, I have found is ready and willing at all times, to be of service, we would have a better Government in Ottawa.

Yours very truly,
(signed)
Frank P. Jenkins

CARNARVON

The ladies of the WA held a very successful Bazaar in the Church basement on Thursday and made around \$395.00.

Master Lenard Skinner is spending the holidays with his grandparents Mr & Mrs Ed. Harrison.

Miss Denise Jones of Port Credit is the guest of Miss Phyllis Windsor.

Miss Mary Miscoe and Mrs Elmo Tammarani of Hamilton are spending a week with Mrs Amos Miscoe.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of our dear brother Glen H. Dart, who passed away July 25th, 1951.

Two years have passed,
Since that sad day.
When one we loved,
Was carried away.
God took him home,
It was His will.
Within our hearts
He liveth still.

Always remembered by
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THE WEEKLY ROUNDUP

It would appear that most everyone which has accommodation to offer summer visitors is at present filled up. We tried 14 different places on Saturday to secure accommodation for six visitors who were anxious to rent a cottage but in every case we received the same answer: "So sorry but we are booked right up to the end of August". And if the number of people who thronged the streets here and in Minden on Saturday are any criterion then we would say that there are more tourists in the High

lands than ever before.

Mrs John Maguire who is worthy Mistress of L O B A 828 had her family well represented in the Haliburton Lodges that marched in Kimmount on July 12th.

As well as herself and husband she also had a son, 2 daughters, one daughter in law, two granddaughters and two grandsons marching along in the big parade. The Orange banner will long be kept flying if it can rally to its side such families as this.

Drowning Narrowly Averted

Minden - The quick action of two young men, Glen Vasey and Louis Hewitt saved the life of an eleven year old boy, Ken Sutherland on Tuesday afternoon.

Ken, who lives with his mother in an apartment over Earl Hewitt's garage got into difficulties while swimming at the bridge in Minden.

He was going down for the third time when Glen and Louis dived in, fully clothed and brought the lad to shore.

It is hoped that this near tragedy will serve as a lesson for young, inexperienced bathers not to venture into the water at this point as the current is very strong & only good swimmers should use the river at the bridge. For less experienced swimmers, the Red Cross have a proper, roped off swimming beach up the river a short distance.

Rev. J M Fleming Assist. Grand Chaplain of Grand Lodge A F & A M

Minden - At the annual communication of the Grand Lodge, A F & A M, which was held at the Royal York Hotel Toronto, On July 15th, Rev J. M. Fleming of Arcadia Lodge, Minden, was appointed Assistant Grand Chaplain of Grand Lodge.

Before coming to Minden Rev. Fleming was a member and Past Master of the Masonic Lodge in Alexandria.

Local Children At S. A. Camp

The Haliburton Salvation Army Corps is sponsoring the holiday for local children who will be spending a week at the S. A. Fresh Air Camp at Hawk River. Good, wholesome meals and a well-rounded programme with excellent supervision will offer these young people a healthy happy, safe holiday.

Minden Rotary

Speaker for the evening was J. S. Nethercott, director of Vocational Guidance in the London Ont. High Schools.

Our speaker outlined the development of this phase of education over the past ten years or so until it is now a department in all High Schools in Ontario and seeks to direct the student into the line of endeavour that would be most suitable to his ability and learning.

Our speaker who is Kiwanian spoke of the part that service clubs had played in promoting this type of assistance for young people and believes that in the second half of this century that they will play even a larger part in this type of work.

He also stepped out into a larger sphere and discussed the two ideologies Communism and Democracy and while he says and I think that few will doubt that Communists are much better crusaders at the present time and while complacency has been the thorn in the flesh of Democracy yet free people have never been beaten but behave us to be on our toes.

Ben Varty New Caretaker

Mr Ben Varty of West Guilford has been engaged as caretaker of the new County High School. Mr Varty has worked on the construction of the school since the start and had also served as a caretaker and school bus driver in this area previously. The board received a number of fine applications for this position, but it was felt that the application of Mr Varty was the one most acceptable in view of his previous experience.

WEDDING

Nesbitt — Walker

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized on Friday, June 19th, 1953 at 4 p. m. at the United church parsonage in Minden when Joyce Bernice, second daughter of Mr and Mrs George Nesbitt, Blairhampton became the bride of Charles Walker, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Howard Walker of Boskung.

The wedding ceremony was performed by Rev. Madden.

The bride wore a graceful gown of white sheer trimmed with sequins with finger-tip veil held in place by a pearl tiara. She wore a necklace of rhinestones with ear rings to match and carried red roses.

The bride was attended by her sister Mrs James Puterbaugh who wore a floor length dress of blue shot taffeta with a halo of white flowers. She wore a necklace of rhinestone and ear rings and carried pink roses.

Mr Carl Walker, brother of the groom acted as groomsman.

The immediate relatives of the bride and groom sat down to a wedding supper at the home of the bride.

They were received by the bride's mother wearing grey crepe trimmed with nylon lace. She was assisted by the groom's mother wearing a two piece dress of grey corded taffeta. Each wore corsages.

In the evening a wedding dance was held in Medley's Hall Carnarvon and was attended by more than 500 guests. The music was supplied by friends.

The bride and groom were the recipients of numerous and costly gifts showing the high esteem in which they are held by their friends.

They will reside in Minden

UPCOMING
Community
Events

Christmas Luncheon
When: Friday, Nov. 25, 11am to 1:30
Where: Our Lady of Fatima Church, 7 Bobcaygeon Rd. Minden
50/50 squares, bucket draw, bake sale, \$5.00 (snowdate Nov. 26)

Minden Hills Santa Claus Parade
When: Saturday November 26th, 11:30 am
Meet Santa after the parade in Council Chambers and warm up with a free hot chocolate
Interested in entering a float, contact Elisha at eweiss@mindenhills.ca

Highlands Festival Singers- 25th Anniversary
“The Messiah” by George Frederic Handel directed by Melissa Stephens.
When: Saturday, November 26 at 2:30 p.m. and Sunday, November 27 at 2:30 p.m.
Where: Haliburton United Church, 10 George St., Haliburton, ON (corner of George and Pine)
Ticket Price: \$20 General Admission
Tickets available at Cranberry Cottage, Haliburton and Minden Pharmasave, Minden or by calling 705 457 4916

Christmas Artisan Market
When: Sunday November 27th, 11am - 4pm
Where: Minden Community Centre
Free admission
Lunch options provided by Irondale Church
Interested in entering a booth? Cost is \$10.
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Kinmount- Tree Lighting Ceremony & Ringing of the Bells
When: Thursday, December 1, 2016, 6:30PM
Where: Austin Sawmill Heritage Park
Refreshments and pictures with Santa in the Railway Station following the lighting of the Christmas Tree

Kinmount - Christmas in the Village, A celebration of the holiday season
When: Saturday December 3, 2016
Pancake Breakfast with Santa: Anglican Church Hall, 8:30 am - 11:00 am
Children's crafts: Community Centre Upstairs, 11:00 am - 1:30 pm
Royal Canadian Legion Christmas Party for the Children: 2:00 pm
Christmas Music Night: Galway Hall. 7:00 pm.
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Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary Gift Shop, Christmas Open House
When: Sunday, December 4th, 12 noon to 3 pm
Where: Haliburton Hospital
Christmas Bake Sale, Wheelbarrow of Wine draw, Refreshments

Highlands Wind Symphony, 2016 Annual Christmas Concert
When: Friday December 9th, 7:00 pm
Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion
Tickets: Adults \$10, Family \$25
Available at Masters Book Store Haliburton & Minden PharmaSave
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Razzamataz Kids Shows
When: Sunday January 15, 2017, 2:00pm
Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion
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Snow’s arrival sets Christmas spirit

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Hilda Clark
448-2018

The sudden change from summer-like weather just hours ago to blowing snow as I write requires adjustments. Donning winter gloves and boots is easy. Clearing snow and ice from the car is more chilling but perhaps more seasonal.

The snow makes it easier to appreciate the outdoor Christmas lights that had begun to blossom. The smart folks had great weather to get those decorations up and other fall outdoor chores completed.

Snow may also help us get in the mood for Santa Claus parades, Christmas craft sales and concerts.

The Wilberforce Heritage Guild’s annual craft sale is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 3 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Lloyd Watson Centre. Always some delightful items available. Some tables are still available.

Call Cathy Agnew at 705-448-2211 to book a table. There will be free tea and coffee available throughout the sale.

St. Margaret’s people will be staffing the kitchen. There’ll muffins for early snacks plus chili, sandwiches etc, throughout the day. Good spot for lunch as well as shopping.

The first bonspiel of this season was enjoyed at the Wilberforce club this past weekend.

With less than two months until the Wilberforce branch of Scotiabank closes the crunch is on for individuals, organizations and businesses. Do nothing and the accounts go to Bancroft. Want to access January pensions such as OAS and CPP or pay bills etc? Go to Bancroft. It is a difficult time especially for those who have no transportation. For businesses that do daily deposits a huge challenge. Hope that if the Municipality of Highlands East finds a solution it includes depositing as well as getting cash.

It was nice to see Patricia Jordens back in town the other day having lunch with friends. She and husband Paddy recently moved to the Peterborough area to be near family. They had been longtime residents enjoying their home overlooking Wilbermere Lake and were back for a visit. Best wishes to them in their new residence.

Abbey Gardens to host winter festival

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On Dec. 3, 12 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Abbey Gardens host Winter Festival and Farmers’ Market. You can shop in the Food Hub as well as the market, enjoy a pizza, tour the new brewery, take a wagon ride and get your Christmas tree! In Santa’s Village area you’ll be able to create a holiday craft, decorate a sugar cookie as well as visit with the jolly old elf himself. Surely snow will have arrived by then.

The craft fest at the Community Centre out did itself. Thirty-nine vendors crowded the two rooms, people having to squeeze by to reach all the variety available. So much colour! So many crafts! And the Maple Lake Church ladies baking was going like hot cakes. The lunch counter was busy as well over the noon hour and raised

over \$200 for the Maple Lake United Church.

In the monthly Outdoors Magazine, women of the outdoors were mentioned. To quote: “For parts of three days in September, close to 100 women took part in the annual OFAH Woman’s Outdoor Weekend at Kinark Outdoor Centre near Minden ... women from all over the province, from all walks of life learned how to bait fishing line, clean fish, target shoot, identify a number of trees and plants, and many other outdoor based activities.”

Laurie Enkel and Dave Muenzel were married on Saturday, Nov. 19, at the West Guilford Baptist Church, pastor Brian Plouffe officiating. The bride’s 94-year-old mother was one of the 52 honoured guests. Gord Kidd and Jane vanNood sang *Let it be me*. The lovely wedding was followed by a reception and dinner at Bonnie View Inn. Jamie Bacon provided the CDs for entertainment afterwards. Congratulations from the community to the happy couple.

Euchre Scores:
High: Diane Madonik and Ron Bain
Low: Rebecca Gray and Henk vanNood
Most Lone Hands” Liz Jesseman and Gerald Hadley

Nominations open for the 11th annual Business and Community Achievement Awards Gala

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that nominations are open for the

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11th annual Business and Community Achievement Awards Gala.

This gala has become the premier business event of the year bringing together business, government and the community to recognize excellence in the Haliburton Highlands. Last year, 93 nominations were received, resulting in the recognition of 64 different businesses, organizations and individuals. This is a true testament to the culture of excellence our community has created.

“These awards are about shining a light on those people and businesses that make our community so great,” says Autumn Smith, manager of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce. “People are working tirelessly to make this community the best and they deserve to be recognized.”

“Each individual has their own experience and story to tell, and that’s why it’s so important for everyone to submit a nomination to make sure every deserving organization is recognized,” says Robin Dillane, chair of the gala committee.

Nomination forms are available on the chamber’s website at www.haliburtonchamber.com, at the chamber office in the Village Barn in Haliburton, or at various businesses in the county. You can also call 705-457-4700 or email admin@haliburtonchamber.com.

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We would like to specially thank our three daughters and our son and their spouses, also to our grandchildren and spouses, for our wonderful surprise 50th wedding anniversary party.

Thank you to the Gord Kidd Band and Randy Sawyer for the wonderful music. Thank you to relatives, friends, and neighbours for their wonderful cards, gifts, food dishes and telephone calls. A big thank you to all who came and made this day a memorable one for us.

Thanks so much again! Elaine & Randal Loucks

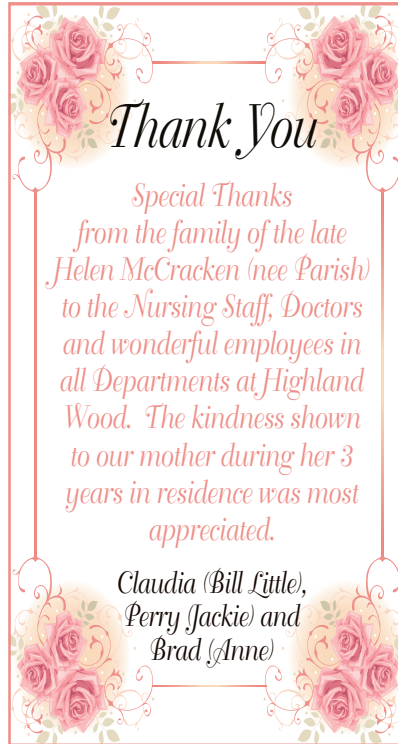


520 THANK YOU

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Special Thanks from the family of the late *Helen McCracken (nee Parish)* to the Nursing Staff, Doctors and wonderful employees in all Departments at Highland Wood. The kindness shown to our mother during her 3 years in residence was most appreciated.

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650 OBITUARIES



Clara Higgins (nee LaPorte)

(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

Peacefully with her family by her side, Clara went to be with her Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ on Monday morning, November 14, 2016 in her 74th year. Beloved wife and best friend of Howard, her one and only love for over 52 years. Loving mother of Patty (Doug Stevens), Gayle (Bo Yurkiv) all of Mississauga and Brenda (Chris Moffatt) of Powassan. Fondly remembered by her grandchildren Matthew, Jonathan and Billy. Dear sister of Ed (Lynda), Don (Audress), Dave (Marilyn), Jim (Carolyn), Doris and Barb (Ken Nesbitt). Predeceased by her brother Frank and sister Diane. Also lovingly remembered by her many nieces, nephews, her sister-in-law Doris LaPorte, family and her many friends. Clara enjoyed cooking, baking and most of all her family.

Visitation, Funeral Service & Reception

Friends may call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Thursday evening, November 17, 2016 from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Funeral Service in the Chapel on Friday morning, November 18, 2016 at 11 o'clock. (Visitation one hour prior). Interment Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. Reception to follow at the Lighthouse Pentecostal Church. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Highlands Community Pregnancy Care Centre or the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family.

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650 OBITUARIES

Diane "Di" Easton

Nov 26, 1941 - Nov 11, 2016

Resident of Haliburton, passed away at Georgian Bay General Hospital on Friday November 11, 2016 at the age of 74.

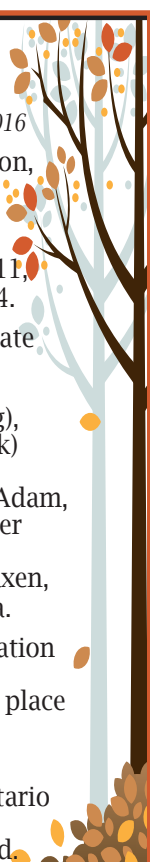
Beloved wife of the late Grant Easton.

Dear mother of Lorraine Ulrick (Greg), Connie Schmidt (Jack) & Shawn Easton. Grandma Easton to Adam, Courtney, Jamie, Tyler & Cody.

Great Grandma to Jaxen, Lincoln, Alice & Mika.

By her request cremation has taken place and interment will take place at a later date.

If desired, Memorial donations to the Ontario Lung Association would be appreciated.





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